

Jennie Baxter, Journalist

1.—Continued. "Oh, he has done so," said Miss Baxter, "and did it very effectively indeed. In fact, your reasons are quite unanswerable. You fear, of course, that you will lose your situation, and that is very important, and no one in The Bugle office wishes you to suffer for what you have done. Of course it is all in the public interest."

who paid him the exact sum agreed upon in the exact way that it was to have been paid. Alder had not seen you and has not the slightest idea how the important news slipped through his fingers, but when he told me what had happened I knew at once you were the goddess of the machine. Therefore I have been waiting for you.



"Oh, it wasn't a question of money," said Alder, "and I would like to ask, Miss Baxter, how much The Graphite paid you for that article over and above the \$50 you gave to Hazel?"

"That is quite right," he said, rising. "I would like to see the money and see that it is correct. I took the envelope as it was handed to me and have not examined the amount myself."

"The man had not the slightest suspicion that his visitor was not a member of the staff of the paper he had been negotiating with. She was so thoroughly self possessed and showed herself so familiar with all details that had been discussed by Hazel and Alder that no doubt had entered the clerk's mind."

"Oh, no!" said Miss Baxter, coolly drawing forth the papers from their covering. "No one knows your name except Mr. Alder, Mr. Hardwick and myself, and I can assure you that I shall not mention your name to any one."

"Oh, my staff is not to blame in this matter! I am willing to take all the blame for our defeat on my shoulders, but there are some other things I am not willing to do, and perhaps you are in a position to clear up a little misunderstanding that has arisen in this office. I suppose I may take it for granted that you overheard the conversation which took place between Mr. Alder and myself in this room yesterday afternoon?"

"Well," said Miss Baxter, for the first time in some confusion, "I can assure you that I did not come here with the intention of listening to anything. I came into the next room by myself for the purpose of getting to see you as soon as possible. While not exactly a member of the staff of The Evening Graphite, it nevertheless takes about all the work I am able to do, and so I consider myself bound to keep my eyes and ears open on its behalf wherever I am."

"Oh, I don't want to censure you at all," said Hardwick. "I merely wish to be certain how the thing was done. As I said, I am willing to take the blame entirely on my own shoulders. I don't think I should have made use of information obtained in that way myself. Still, I am not venturing to find fault with you for doing so."

"To find fault with me!" cried Miss Baxter somewhat warmly. "That would be the pot calling the kettle black indeed. Why, what better were you? You were bribing a poor man to furnish you with statistics which he was very reluctant to let you have. Yet you overcame his scruples with money, quite willing that he should risk his livelihood so long as you got the news. If you ask me, I don't see very much difference in our positions."

"Oh, quite so, quite so," answered Hardwick soothingly. "I have already disclaimed the critical attitude. The point I wish to be sure of is this—you overheard the conversation between Alder and myself?"

"Yes, I did."

"I don't see the use of that," said Mr. Hempstead. "There is only one point at issue. Did Mr. Alder warn Mr. Hardwick that by delay he would lose the publication of this report?"

"Hardly that," answered the girl. "As I remember it, he said, 'Isn't there a danger that some other paper may get this?' Mr. Hardwick replied, 'I don't think so; not for three days, at least,' and then Mr. Alder said, 'Very good,' or 'Very well,' or something like that."

"That quite tallies with my own remembrance," said Hardwick. "I admit I am to blame, but I decidedly say that I was not definitely warned by Mr. Alder that the matter would be lost to us."

"I told you it would be lost if you delayed," said Alder, "and it has been lost. I have been on the track of this for two weeks, and it is very galling to have missed it at the last moment through no fault of my own."

"Still," said Mr. Hempstead coldly, "your version of the conversation does not quite tally with what Miss Baxter says."

"Oh, have it as you wish!" said Alder tranquilly. "It doesn't matter in the least to me. I have taken service on The Daily Trumpet, and you may consider my place on The Bugle vacant!" saying which he put his hat on his head and left the room.

Mr. Hempstead seemed distressed by the discussion, but for the first time Mr. Hardwick smiled grimly. "I always insist on accuracy," he said, "and lack of it is one of Alder's failings."

Nevertheless, Mr. Hardwick, you have lost one of your best men. How are you going to replace him?" inquired the proprietor anxiously.

"There is little difficulty in replacing even the best man on any staff in London," replied Hardwick, with a glance at Miss Baxter. "As this young lady seems to know the office, and the staff that the staff was already sufficient and complete."

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seems to keep her wits about her when the welfare of her paper is concerned, I shall, if you have no objection, fill Henry Alder's place with Miss Baxter."

Mr. Hempstead arched his eyebrows a trifle. "I thought you didn't believe in women journalists," Mr. Hardwick," he murmured at last.

"I didn't up till yesterday, but since then I have had reason to change my mind."

WHEAT HAS A RISE. Jump of Over Two Cents Caused by the Government Report. CHICAGO, July 11.—There was an excited wheat market today, with prices at times about 3c over the close of Tuesday. Confirmation by the government crop report of great damage to spring wheat was the main factor of strength. September closed with an advance of 2 1/2c. Reports of damage from drought caused a bulge of 1 1/2c in corn, oats gained 1c and provisions 5/16c. Closing prices: WHEAT—Aug. 82 1/2; Sept. 82 1/2; Oct. 82 1/2; Nov. 82 1/2; Dec. 82 1/2; Jan. 82 1/2; Feb. 82 1/2; Mar. 82 1/2; Apr. 82 1/2; May 82 1/2; June 82 1/2.

Chicago Live Stock. CHICAGO, July 11.—Cattle—Receipts, 18,500; good light steers 4c to 5c lower, others 10c to 15c lower; first car load western ranges this season brought \$5.25; natives, best on sale, two car loads at \$5.05, and ten head at \$5.75; good to prime steers, \$5.00 to \$5.75; poor to medium, \$4.00 to \$4.50; selected feeders, \$4.00 to \$4.50; mixed stockers, 10c to 15c lower at \$2.50 to \$3.00; cows, \$3.00 to \$4.50; heifers, \$3.00 to \$4.50; canners, \$2.00 to \$2.75; bulls, \$2.50 to \$4.50; calves, \$4.50 to \$5.00; Texas fed steers, \$4.25 to \$5.10; Texas grass steers, \$3.00 to \$4.15; Texas bulls, \$2.50 to \$3.25. Hogs—Receipts, 10,500; mixed, \$5.00 to \$6.00; heavy, \$5.25 to \$6.00; light, \$5.00 to \$5.75; pigs, \$4.00 to \$5.00. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; mixed, \$4.00 to \$4.50; fair to choice mixed, \$4.00 to \$4.50; western sheep and yearlings, \$3.00 to \$4.00; Texas sheep, \$3.15 to \$4.00; native lambs, \$4.20 to \$5.00; western lambs, \$3.00 to \$4.25.

Kansas City Live Stock. KANSAS CITY, July 11.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,500; 10c lower; native steers, \$4.05 to \$5.40; stockers and feeders, \$3.00 to \$4.05; butchers' cows and heifers, \$3.00 to \$4.00; canners, \$2.50 to \$3.00; fed westerns, \$4.15 to \$5.30; fed Texans, \$4.00 to \$4.45; grass Texans, \$3.20 to \$4.00. Hogs—Receipts, 10,100; slow, 7c to 10c lower; heavy, \$5.25 to \$6.50; mixed, \$5.15 to \$6.25; light, \$5.00 to \$5.75; pigs, \$4.00 to \$5.00. Sheep—Receipts, 8,000; few offered; closed steady; lambs, \$5.25 to \$6.00; wethers, \$3.50 to \$4.00; stock sheep, \$3.00 to \$3.50; lambs, \$4.50 to \$5.25.

South Omaha Live Stock. SOUTH OMAHA, July 11.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,100; strong on best; slow on common; native beef steers, \$4.40 to \$5.40; western steers, \$3.75 to \$4.25; cows and heifers, \$3.00 to \$4.40; canners, \$2.50 to \$3.00; stockers and feeders, \$3.00 to \$4.00; calves, \$4.00 to \$5.00; bulls, \$2.50 to \$3.50; mixed, \$2.75 to \$3.25. Hogs—Receipts, 10,500; 10c lower; heavy, \$5.05 to \$6.10; mixed, \$5.05 to \$5.55; light, \$5.00 to \$5.55; pigs, \$4.00 to \$5.00; bulk of sales, \$5.05 to \$5.55. Sheep—Receipts, 8,200; slow, offered; closed steady; lambs, \$5.25 to \$6.00; wethers, \$3.50 to \$4.00; stock sheep, \$3.00 to \$3.50; lambs, \$4.50 to \$5.25.

Yesterday's Baseball Results. Omaha, 10; St. Joseph, 6. Des Moines, 7; Pueblo, 3. St. Louis, 0; Boston, 3. Pittsburg, 4; Brooklyn, 0. Cincinnati, 7; Philadelphia, 6. Indianapolis, 9; Minneapolis, 2. Buffalo, 10; Chicago, 5. Detroit, 0; Kansas City, 6.

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